

# Our Dumb Animals.

"WE SPEAK FOR THOSE WHO



CANNOT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES."

"I would not enter on my list of friends,  
Though graced with polished manners and fine sense,  
Yet wanting sensibility, the man  
Who needlessly sets foot upon a worm."— *Cooper*.

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Mr. Timmins estimates that we have now about three hundred Bands of Mercy, formed and forming, with about thirty thousand members.

The Boston Roman Catholic Cathedral Band, we are told, numbers about 1500 members, and is probably the largest in New England.

Mr. Timmins has personally organized, during the last month, two Bands at Cambridge, two at Holyoke, two at Fall River, and two at Boston, the last being the "Boston University Band," of which Rev. Dr. Warren, President of the University, is President, Dean Huntington, Treasurer, and Prof. Lindsey, Secretary.

Newport, R. I., has a large Band, of which Mr. Eayres, Principal of the High school, is President. Providence is moving to form Bands there.

Buffalo, N. Y., five Bands already formed, two of them quite large. The Sunday School Superintendents' Association recommended their formation in all Sunday Schools of the city, and it is hoped, as we learn from Miss Lord, and Mrs. Tift, to soon organize in public schools.

Rochester, N. Y., is wide awake on the subject. We learn of six Bands already formed, in addition to the three, of which we give the names in another column.

St. Louis Pioneer Band is proposing to raise a fund, and start the work on a large scale in Missouri.

Chicago is at work starting Bands, several being already formed.

We have an interesting letter from Mrs. A. H. Todd, of Port Townsend, Washington Territory, President of the Pioneer Band of Mercy of the Pacific coast.

In a large number of the Sunday Schools of the most influential churches of Boston and vicinity, of all denominations, Congregationalist, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Universalist, Unitarian, and Roman Catholic, Bands of Mercy are now formed.

On Wednesday, March 28th, Mr. Angell addressed about two hundred city of Cambridge teachers. Thirty-eight of them have written for membership books to form Bands of Mercy in their schools.

On Fast Day, Mr. Angell addressed a union meeting of churches at Malden.

We are sorry our little paper does not give room to refer to numerous letters we are receiving from various States, about the Bands. But we can assure our readers that they have hardly seen the beginning of this work yet.

Mr. Angell has just written, with great care, a lecture on the Bands of Mercy, full of information and thought, occupying about forty minutes, which he hopes to make useful.

On last Sunday evening Mr. Timmins addressed, in the Warren Avenue Baptist church, an audience of about 1500, about one-half of whom joined the Band, of which the Rev. Mr. Gifford, pastor of the church, was elected President.

## New Bands of Mercy.

- Boston. Boston University Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. Dr. W. B. Warren.  
S., Prof. T. B. Lindsay.  
T., Rev. W. E. Huntington.
- Boston. Church of the Unity Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. M. J. Savage.  
S., Miss Mary A. Hooper.  
T., J. B. Ford.
- Boston. Holy Trinity Parochial School Bands of Mercy, Six Bands.  
P., Rev. Father Francis H. Nopper.
- Boston. King's Chapel Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. H. W. Foote.  
S., Miss Lyman.  
T., Miss Hill.
- Boston. Shawmut Congregational Band of Mercy.  
P., W. F. Withmore.  
S., Miss Fannie G. Darrow.  
T., Miss Helen Guardinier.
- Boston. Temple Street Methodist Episcopal Band of Mercy.  
P., Mrs. Bolton.  
S., Miss Addie E. French.  
T., G. H. Marston.

- Boston. Warren Avenue Baptist Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. O. P. Gifford.  
S., Mrs. Gifford.  
T., O. M. Wentworth.
- Attleboro. Mrs. A. M. Porter.
- Cambridge. Agassiz School Band of Mercy.  
P. & S., Charlotte A. Ewell.
- Cambridge. Dana Hill Band of Mercy.  
P., Miss M. F. Williams.
- Cambridge. Gannett School.  
Miss A. M. Jones.
- Cambridge. Mason School Band of Mercy.  
P., Josephine H. Davis.
- Cambridge. Quincy School Band of Mercy.  
P., Charlotte E. Jewell.
- Cambridge. Shepherd School.  
Miss Locke.
- Cambridge. Tarbell Primary School Band of Mercy.  
P., Miss Mary H. Ross.
- Cambridge. Washington School.  
P., Carrie H. Hazeltine.
- Cambridge. Willing Band of Mercy, Dunster School.  
P., Susan E. Wyeth.  
S., Fannie Legg.  
T., Edwin S. Eames.
- Cambridge. Harriet Keyes.
- Cambridgeport. Harvard Primary School Band of Mercy.  
P., Helen M. Ward.  
S., Lottie R. Venner.  
T., F. H. Stedman.
- Cambridgeport. Prospect Street Congregational Band of Mercy.  
P., J. E. Vandervoort.  
S., Mrs. H. M. Wyatt.  
T., Chas. F. Wyman.
- Cambridgeport. Stearns Chapel Congregational Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. Thomas Bickford.  
S., Miss J. C. Pierce.  
T., Mr. Gage.
- Fall River. Christian Band of Mercy.  
P., Rev. Martyn Summerbell.  
S., Miss Sarah Richmond.  
T., F. C. Brownell.

Fall River. St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Band of Mercy.

P., W. S. Greene.  
S., Miss M. E. Nichols.  
T., Miss Mary A. Henry.

Fitchburg. First Parish Band of Mercy.

P., Nathan C. Upham.  
S. & T., Louise W. Caldwell.

Holyoke. Holyoke Methodist Episcopal Band of Mercy.

P., D. P. Haynes.  
S., Mrs. Ruddy.  
T., Miss Hattie E. Garrison.

Holyoke. Holyoke Second Congregational Band of Mercy.

P., C. S. Hemingway.  
S., Miss Agnes Allyn.  
T., W. C. Newell.

Malden.

Miss Kidder.

Thompson's Station, Alabama. Thompson Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Band of Mercy.

P., J. D. Stanley.  
S., Millie Lankester.  
T., Rev. H. G. Walker.

South Evanston, Ill. Blair Band of Mercy of the Girls' Industrial School.

P., Miss Lydia Speed.  
S., Miss Carrie Taylor.  
T., Miss Mamie Scadin.

Indianapolis, Ind.

Cora M. Day.

McAfee, Kentucky.

J. R. Blair.

Oldtown, Me.

Susie C. Pratt.

Lebanon, N. H.

Rev. Calvin Stebbins.

Port Jefferson, Suffolk Co., N. Y.

Anna H. Quennard.

Buffalo, N. Y. Central Presbyterian Church Band of Mercy.

P., Frederick A. Vogt.  
S. & T., John L. Walker.

Buffalo, N. Y. Church of Our Father (Unitarian) Band of Mercy.

P., Rev. G. W. Cutter.

Buffalo, N. Y. St. Paul's Episcopal Church Band of Mercy.

P., Rev. Dr. Brown.

Buffalo, N. Y. Trinity Episcopal Church Band of Mercy.

P., Rev. Dr. Van Bokkelaer.  
S., Miss Margaret Rochester.  
T., Miss Cutter.

Buffalo, N. Y. Washington Street Baptist Band of Mercy.

P., Rev. Dr. Gordon.

Buffalo, N. Y. Central School Band of Mercy.

Buffalo, N. Y. Lake Erie Band of Mercy, School No. 1.

P., Miss E. Fos.  
S., Jane H. Fos.  
T., A. Williams.

Buffalo, N. Y. Public School No. 19 Band of Mercy.

P., M. A. Root.

Buffalo, N. Y. Queen City Band of Mercy, No. 16 School.

P., Mrs. H. F. Fullerton.

Buffalo, N. Y. Cold Spring Band of Mercy.

P., Miss Lay.

Buffalo, N. Y. Protestant Orphan Asylum Band of Mercy.

P., Mrs. Hopkins.  
S., Miss Agnes Hopkins.

Buffalo, N. Y. Richmond Band of Mercy.

P., Mrs. Richmond.

Rochester, N. Y. Burrough's Band of Mercy, in No. 11 School.

P., M. A. Hayden.  
S., Lena Shepard.  
T., Mary Purcell.

Rochester, N. Y. Longfellow Band of Mercy, in No. 16 School.

P., Miss L. A. McGonegal.  
S., Miss Anna Connolly.  
T., Master Willis Wright.

Rochester, N. Y. Plymouth Church Band of Mercy.

P., J. Nelson Tubbs.  
S., W. R. Frary.

Rochester, N. Y.

Mary E. Streeter.

Rochester, N. Y. No. 14 School. Six Bands.

John G. Allen.

Newport, R. I. Newport Band of Mercy.

P., William N. Eayrs.  
S., Miss Ida E. Redford.  
T., Miss Julia F. Downing.

Gleason, Tennessee.

J. H. Huey, Principal Masonic Institute.

We know of many Bands, formed and forming, which have not yet sent us their names and officers. Please send them.

#### Answers to Band of Mercy Questions.

To answer many questions being asked in letters, we give the following extracts from *Journal of Education* report of address of George T. Angell, before annual meeting of Massachusetts State Teachers' Association, December 29th, 1882:

In European schools it had been long established that teaching kindness to lower creatures made children more merciful in all their relations to human beings as well as dumb brutes. Lessons on the subject were now given in over five thousand schools of France. In a single department of France about five hundred societies of school-children had been formed to carry out this teaching. So also in Germany, Denmark, Russia, Switzerland, and Great Britain, similar societies had been formed. Probably more than a hundred thousand English school-children now belonged to them. It was claimed that they had great influence in preventing crime. In the public schools of Philadelphia about five thousand boys now belonged to these societies, having meetings, badges, banners, etc.

Large numbers of Bands of Mercy had been formed in Great Britain. A monthly paper was now published there in their interest. The American Band of Mercy was formed last summer in Boston, at the rooms of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. In about sixteen weeks ninety-one "Bands" had been organized in fourteen States, some of them having from four to six hundred members, and the total membership already from ten to fifteen thousand. (*Now, April, 1883, probably over three hundred formed and forming, with probably 28,000 members, and reaching as far west as the Pacific coast, and in all grades of schools, both Protestant and Roman Catholic.*) Among the earlier members in Massachusetts were Governor Long, Mayor Green of Boston, Chief-Justice Morton of the Supreme Judicial Court, Archbishop Williams, many leading editors and educational men, and some two hundred clergymen of various denominations, Protestant and Roman Catholic.

To form a band nothing was absolutely necessary except the signing of this pledge: "I will try to be kind to all HARMLESS living creatures, and try to protect them from cruel usage." The Massachusetts S. P. C. A. sends, without expense, to public schools wishing it, a beautiful book for signatures of members, containing this pledge, and full instructions how to form, etc. The machinery is very simple. All that is needed is a president, who should be a teacher, and a secretary

and treasurer appointed by the president. The pledge, as will be noticed, requires kindness "to all harmless creatures," which includes human beings as well as the lower orders.

The following order of exercises for meetings has been adopted to some extent:

1. Repeat the pledge together.
2. Sing one stanza of "Dare to do Right."
3. New members sign the pledge.
4. Report of each member who wishes to report.

No one is *obliged* to report, but each is given a *chance*.

*Either*: What you have done cruel, or to stop cruelty; what you have seen anyone else do cruel, or to stop cruelty; what you have read about animals or good deeds, since our last meeting.

Each one to be allowed not over five minutes.

No one to interrupt or speak during reports, unless the president or teacher is obliged to stop something improper.

5. But any one may take notes, and when the reports are through, remarks can be made by one at a time.

No two are to speak at once. Wait for leave from the president.

In case of an accusation, allow the one accused to reply first after the reports, then allow remarks.

*Vote*: "Was it cruel or not?"

6. What cruelty have you seen that you could not prevent? What can we do to prevent it?

7. Readings, recitations, singing, addresses, discussions about cruelty or kindness to animals, birds, insects, children, the poor, or the sick. Habits of animals, birds, or insects. Good and noble deeds both to human beings and the lower creatures.

8. Who will try to have something to read or recite at our next meeting? The cost of membership books is six cents, or two postage stamps each.

For those who want them, beautifully-colored cards of membership can be had from the Mass. S. P. C. A., at two cents each, and each holder and signer of one of these cards becomes, without expense, an honorary Band-of-Mercy member of the Mass. S. P. C. A. The Society also furnishes, to all who want them, a beautiful badge-pin, either gilt or silver washed, as preferred, at the low cost of six cents each. This pin is in the form of a star, and on it are these mottoes: "Glory to God," "Peace on Earth," "Good Will to All"; and, on the five points of the star, "Kindness to all harmless, living creatures." The letters "M. S. P. C. A." on the badge-pins stand, *outside the State*, for Merciful Society for Prevention of Cruelty to All.

To each Band of over forty, formed in Massachusetts, the Mass. S. P. C. A. sends each month, without expense, for one year, a copy of its monthly paper, *Our Dumb Animals*, from which selections for recitation, etc., may be taken; also one copy of *Ten Lessons on Kindness to Animals*, published by that Society.

Why should these organizations be carried into our public schools? Mr. Angell gave statistics of the vast increase of crime in this country. It comes mostly from those classes whom churches and Sunday-schools do not reach, and who have little or no humane instruction anywhere. They can be reached in the public schools, and nowhere else. Through these Bands of Mercy, the whole humane literature of the world may be used to pour into their minds those noble, elevating, and merciful thoughts, which will make both them and their parents better in all the relations of this life, saying nothing of the life hereafter. Not only may kindness and mercy be taught in this way, but also honor, truth, honesty, temperance, God, and immortality. In the Bands of Mercy the literature of the world may be drawn upon for poem, anecdote, illustration, and instruction, and each child, and the parents, in many cases, may be set at work in leisure moments, searching for gems of thought on all these subjects. Mr. Angell said he could fill a good share of an evening with anecdotes showing the effects of teaching children kindness to the lower creatures; to



sprinkle ashes on the icy streets; put the blankets, that had blown off, on the horse again; feed the birds and spare their nests; kill the fish as soon as caught, as Agassiz taught his pupils; protect the toad; avoid treading upon the harmless and useful worm, etc.; and, to show the power of teaching kindness to the higher creatures, he had only to call attention to the histories of the Quakers and Moravians. If the whole world were Quakers and Moravians, there would be no use for prisons.

The concluding portion of Mr. Angell's paper was devoted to showing the power of teaching kindness to lower creatures, in making happier the whole future lives of those so taught. This part of his paper was full of examples of the influence of this teaching on men, women, and children, from the humblest to the highest positions in life. He spoke of his own experiences, which coincided with those of others well known to him, and urged upon his audience for the protection of all who needed protection, and for the highest interests of the Commonwealth to form at once, either in or outside the school, a Band of Mercy.

All letters addressed to him, or the Mass. S. P. C. A., 96 Tremont street, Boston, would be promptly answered, and every aid furnished.

[FOR OUR DUMB ANIMALS.]

## A True Story.

I have taken the liberty of addressing you, knowing the great interest you have in dumb animals, and feeling that the case I cite, is one that shows more than ordinary intelligence.

My dog, an English Terrier of pure blood, I have owned for thirteen years, — from a pup. He has shown unusual sagacity, and seemed to comprehend what was said to him. Six weeks to-morrow he was run over by the Montreal Express, and terribly injured, one forefoot and leg, crushed and torn, and the other almost as badly. It was his daily custom, in the morning, to go direct to the mill, where he was a great favorite with the operatives. A heavy snow had covered the foot-path on the railroad bridge, and he was caught by the engine, and could not escape. One of the girl operatives heard him cry, and saw him as he staggered along. A friend of ours tried to catch him, and finding he could not, told him to go home; but he turned directly away from the mill, (his nearest point), and from home, and went to Dr. Osborne's, leaving tracks on the snow at every painful step. The doctor's family were not up, and finding he could not wake them, he crawled home, passing the mill on his way back. We sent for the doctor at once, though we had little hope of saving him, and every thing possible was done. He allowed the doctor to put his leg in splints, and to do everything needful, without complaint. For the past six weeks I have dressed his legs twice a day — removing five broken pieces of bone, with forceps, and he submitted in every case, quietly. A fortnight ago the doctor gave him chloroform, and cut off the protruding bones of one leg; and now, minus the entire foot, which we could not save, he is doing well. On the other foot he has but two toes. When I am ready to dress his foot, I say "come and have your foot dressed," and he at once comes to the table on his three feet, and I lift him up, when he lays his head down upon his pillow and remains perfectly still. He does not trouble me at all about the bandages, by tearing them off; but if the leg swells, and they are too tight, he will come and hold his leg up to me, when I loosen them.

I have written thus minutely of his case, thinking some boy or girl may be taught by his patience and sagacity, to be kind to some house pet of their own when hurt.

— Mary E. Boynton.

Tilton, N. H. March 27th.

Mrs. Boynton sends us a beautiful photograph of this wounded dog, which can be seen at our office. — [EDITOR.]

## The Tame Pigeons.

'Twas in the spring of 'eighty-two,  
Two pigeons came, both fair to view,  
And with no more nor less ado,  
They sought a shelf, high on the wall.  
Two busier birds, we never saw,  
Who built their nest of mud and straw  
Without a rent, — without a flaw,  
They chose to mount Montgomery Hall.

Their native instincts found a place,  
Which gave them scarce enough of space  
To mould their artless nest with grace,  
And raise their lovely broods;  
Preemption right! 'twas just and fair  
To choose their eyrie high in air,  
Where none could challenge, — none would dare  
Approach their neighborhood.

Thus undisturbed they dwelt in peace,  
Nor asked the landlord for a lease;  
While cooling accents ne'er did cease  
'Till summer passed away.  
How many broods in safety flew  
From that dear home our fancy drew,  
We cannot tell, — we never knew,  
Because we could not stay.

— Samuel E. Sawyer, of Brookbank.

Tremont House, March 20th, 1883.

These birds built their nest on the Montgomery Place side of Horticultural Hall, directly opposite the offices of the Mass. S. P. C. A. — [EDITOR.]

## A Terrier Saves a Baby.

A woman left her baby, eighteen months old, on the floor of the front room playing with its toys and a little terrier dog that is its constant companion. The mother was away just three minutes, but when she came back and opened the door her infant's head, arms and shoulders were hanging beyond the stone sill of an open window, and near it, with its feet on a chair, stood the little dog, holding on to the child's dress for dear life. Her child, unconscious of any danger, was crowing at some object in the yard, while the dog, holding on to the dress, looked a mute appeal for haste and help. In an instant she was by her baby's side, and the danger was passed. When the dog had been relieved of his burden he pranced around the mother and child with a delight that was almost frantic.

— Warwick Advertiser.

## Eleven Lives Saved by a Cat.

Miss Lizzie Altweis occupied the bedroom on the second floor of an old-fashioned gable-roofed two-story attic and basement house on Eldridge street, New York. A little Maltese cat, the property of the landlord, was a constant visitor at Miss Altweis's room, and at night she would often take it in her arms when she retired. The cat was remarkable for two things. First, its forepaws were adorned with double the number of claws usually allotted to cats; and second, its wonderful intelligence was a subject of frequent comment. Wednesday night when Miss Altweis retired the cat snuggled close up to her. About 4.30 o'clock Thursday morning the lodger was awakened by a pricking sensation on her cheek, and found that the cat was clawing her. She shook it off, when the animal jumped to the floor and ran to the door of the room, at which it began scratching, mewing loudly the while. Supposing it wanted to get out, Miss Altweis rose and going to the door opened it. As soon as she did so a heavy volume of thick smoke poured into the room, almost stifling her. The house was on fire, and in a short time was burned to the ground. The inmates escaped by leaping from the windows and clambering along the eaves. The cat's timely warning saved eleven lives.

— Boston Globe.

## The Brave Austrian Hussar.

The following incident occurred during a general review of the Austrian cavalry a few months ago. Not far from thirty thousand cavalry were in line. A little child, a girl of not more than four years, standing in the front row of spectators, either from fright or some other cause, rushed out into the open field just as a squadron of hussars came sweeping around from the main body. They made the detour for the purpose of saluting the empress, whose carriage was drawn up in that part of the parade-ground. Down came the flying squadron, charging at a mad gallop — down directly on the child. The mother was paralyzed, as others were, for there could be no rescue from the line of spectators. The empress uttered a cry of horror, for the child's destruction seemed inevitable — and such terrible destruction — the trampling to death by a thousand iron hoofs. Directly under the feet of the horses was the little one — another instant must seal its doom, when a stalwart hussar, who was in the front line, without slackening speed or loosening his hold, threw himself over by the side of his horse's neck, seized and lifted the child, and placed it in safety upon his saddle-bow; and this he did without changing his pace or breaking the correct alignment of the squadron. Ten thousand voices hailed with rapturous applause the gallant deed, and other thousands applauded when they knew. Two women there were who could only sob forth their gratitude in broken accents — the mother of the child, and the empress. And a proud and happy moment must it have been for the hussar when his emperor, taking from his own breast the richly enamelled Cross of the Order of Maria Theresa, hung it upon the breast of his brave and gallant trooper.

A lady, well known to us, at Aiken, South Carolina, sends us this:

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## A True Story.

A lady and gentleman residing in Aiken, S. C., own a pair of ponies, also a spaniel. Last year, as their custom is, they sent these animals out of the town, about three miles distant, to their farm, to remain during their absence through the summer. When they returned in the fall they traveled home on horse-back, and having these horses at their town home did not send for the ponies at once. The dog came in from the farm, however. This was on Friday. The dog showed himself very uneasy and dissatisfied with something, and the lady observed him carefully. She came to the conclusion that he did not like the new horses (which were two bays), and remarked upon it to Mr. R. —. On the following Sunday morning the dog disappeared, and had not returned in the afternoon when they went to drive with the bays. After an absence of an hour or two they returned, and found standing at the gate, the dog with the two ponies. He had evidently trotted out to the farm, informed the ponies that their place was taken by strangers, and this was the result.

— F. B. B.

## How to Tell a Good Horse.

Stand in front of his shoulder and pull his head down gently till his ear is at the level of your lips. Then tell him he is a good horse.

## From the North of Ireland.

A sailor dropped out of the rigging of a ship-of-war, some fifteen feet, plump on the head of the first lieutenant. "Wretch," said the officer, after he had gathered himself up, "where did you come from?" "From the north of Ireland, yer honor."

## OUR DUMB ANIMALS.

BOSTON, MAY, 1883.

*The Directors' April Meeting*

Was held on Wednesday, the 18th, President Angell in the chair. The March record was read and approved, and a report of the receipts and payments was made and referred to the Finance Committee. President Angell then reported that the office agents had investigated one hundred and sixty-one cases of cruelty in March, and mercifully killed thirty-six animals. Country agents had investigated, during the quarter ending March 31, four hundred and twenty-eight cases. Over one thousand placards, for protection of insect-eating birds, had been sent through the State.

About three hundred Bands of Mercy were now formed and forming, with about thirty thousand members.

Votes of thanks were passed to a Friend, Joel P. Bishop, Esq., and a Bostonian, for donations.

Her Royal Highness, the Princess Louise, was unanimously elected an Honorary Member of the Society.

Mrs. William Appleton, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Beebe, were elected delegates to the International Congress to be held in Vienna.

Adjourned.

*Mrs. Appleton.*

Mrs. William Appleton, with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Beebe, have been elected delegates of this Society to the International Congress at Vienna, and will sail for England May 16th. Mrs. Appleton made the first movement in Massachusetts towards the founding of a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, — and when founded, she was elected its first lady director, and first honorary member. She has been, ever since, its constant friend, and largest giver. Our friends on this side the ocean will wish her a pleasant journey, and a safe return. Some of our friends on the other side will have an opportunity of seeing a lady who has done as much, we think, as any woman in America, to prevent cruelty to animals.

*Panama.*

Mr. Nathan Appleton, who has recently returned from the isthmus of Panama, where he has been looking at the progress made upon the canal, had, during his sojourn there, an interview with Monseigneur Paul, Bishop of Panama, on the importance of forming a Society for the Protection of Animals. The reverend prelate manifested much interest, and promised he would do all in his power to further it; and as Mr. Appleton also conferred with many prominent persons of the city, not only natives, but also representatives of the French, English and American colonies, it is probable that a Society there will soon be organized, the influence of which may be felt through Central and South America.

*Savannah S. P. C. A.*

Mr. Nathan Platshek, Secretary, writes that friends have recently furnished their offices at a cost of about \$1000.

*Cock-Fight.*

On the 16th of February last, some thirty or forty persons from North Adams and surrounding towns, gathered at Shelburne Falls to participate in cock-fighting; information of the fact reached one of our Agents, — Mr. Ambrose Gilman, — who at once secured assistance and scattered the parties, who took the first train and went over into Vermont.

On Sunday, April 1st, upwards of a hundred persons gathered in a secluded portion of the town of Saugus, contemplating one of the most extensive "cocking mains" that has ever taken place in eastern Massachusetts. Many towns in the vicinity were represented, and on the various roads leading to the spot where the fight was arranged to take place, were mounted men to give alarm. The police at Lynn (a number of whom are Society Agents), with district police officer Manning (a Society Agent), raided the woods, and the parties fled. Two men, with several fowls, were secured. In Court next day, one party was convicted and held to appear before the Superior Court.

At annual meeting of Rhode Island Society just held at Providence, Hon. Rowland Hazard was elected President, and Rev. Frederick Denison, Secretary. Through the efforts of Mr. Denison about 350 new members have been added, and about twenty new local agents appointed, the Society having now forty-four. During the year the Society has investigated 790 cases.

At annual meeting of Cleveland, Ohio, Society, held April 12th, President John G. Shortall, of the Illinois Humane Society, with the Roman Catholic Bishop of the diocese, and others, gave addresses. We are glad to learn that the Cleveland Society is in prosperous condition.

We regret the death of Miss Fanny Ruschenberger, corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Branch Penn. S. P. C. A. We have from Miss Morris, Recording Secretary, a copy of resolutions expressing the deep sorrow of the Society at the loss of this excellent, most unselfish and earnest worker in our humane cause.

Our friend Mr. S. R. Urbino, has been doing a splendid work in forming Bands of Mercy in Newton.

Band of Mercy members write us asking about a Dr. Kendall's book, which he offers to send gratuitously to Bands of Mercy. Having never read it, we know nothing of its merits. If he chooses to present it to anybody, we know of no objection.

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*Thomas Carlyle*

Tells a touching anecdote about Dr. John Welsh — his father-in-law — which shows such sympathy with suffering as we are glad to see: —

"Riding along one day he noticed a wounded partridge fluttering and struggling with its wing, or leg, or both, broken by some sportsman's shot. He alighted, took up the poor partridge, put it gently in his handkerchief, brought it home, and by careful splints and other treatment, had it soon on wing, and sent it forth healed."

Of this occurrence Carlyle says, "This in so grave and practical a man had always in it a fine expressiveness to me."

(Life of Thomas Carlyle.) — E. C. J.

*Names of Bands.*

We confess much pleasure in hearing that a Band of Mercy, in a country town of Massachusetts, had been named after the editor of this paper. And now we would suggest whether it would not be well to name some bands in our various towns and cities, after those who have done or given most to make them a success.

We would again suggest, whether any man or woman can build a better monument to himself, or herself, than to become a founder of Bands of Mercy in his or her city or town. They have come to stop in this world through the generations, as one of the great advance movements of the century. We think they will extend as widely, and last as long, as Sunday Schools. We believe they are absolutely demanded in this country, to meet the unparalleled growth of crime and lawlessness which, for the past fifteen years, has vastly exceeded our growth of population. We believe that the great masses of children in our public schools, who are beyond the reach of churches and Sunday Schools, must be reached and taught mercy, peace, temperance, kindness, God, and immortality. Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby, of New York, in the *North American Review*, of April, 1883, uses these words in regard to our dangerous classes (unless the danger can be checked): "They will carry destruction on every side; revel in slaughter; waste property; burn dwellings; overturn institutions; paralyze trade; annihilate Society." Dr. Howard Crosby has been considered a very sound and conservative thinker and writer, and he may be correct. We think we can safely challenge the educators of the world to find a better or more unobjectionable method of carrying the right kind of instruction into all our public schools, than through the universal establishment in them of Bands of Mercy, with the cards, badges and banners, that are most likely to interest and enlist them, and through them their parents, on the side of God, mercy and humanity.

*PLEDGE.*

I will try to be kind to all harmless living creatures, and try to protect them from cruel usage.

*Be Merciful.*

A crippled beggar was trying to pick up some old clothes that had been thrown to him from a window, when a crowd of rude boys gathered about him, mimicking his awkward movements and hooting at his helplessness and rags. Presently a noble little fellow came up, and pushing through the crowd, helped the poor crippled man to pick up his gifts and place them in a bundle. He was running away, when a voice far above him said:

"Little boy with a straw hat, look up." A lady, leaning from an upper window, said eagerly, "God bless you, my little fellow; God will bless you for that."

As he walked along he thought how glad he had made his own heart by doing good. He thought of the poor beggar's grateful look; of the lady's smile and her approval; and at last, and better than all, he could almost hear his Heavenly Father whispering, — "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

— Exchange.

In the Bands of Mercy we hope to educate thousands of boys to do just such deeds as that. — EDITOR.

*Lewiston, Maine, Canary.*

A singular incident which occurred at a recent funeral service in Lewiston is related. A canary bird leaned forward on its perch, and looking through the bars of its cage, gazed steadily down on the fair confined form of the mistress who had in life so tenderly cherished the bird, even among her last requests providing for its future care, and in a low mournful strain sang an accompaniment to the hymn which the quartette were singing. The difference between the plaintive notes and its usual high and gay canary trill was painfully remarked by many hearers. Since that day the bird has been noticeably sad and silent.

— Boston Journal.



## For Sale, a Donkey.

Poor Tom Darton was left an orphan in a large town in England, before he was twelve years old. Few had been his joys, for his parents had been so poor that they could not even keep him well clad. But Tom had one good friend in Ned the donkey.

Ned would do anything he could for Tom. Other persons might beat Ned till the blood came, and he would not stir; but if Tom said, "Come, Ned, I am in a hurry—get up," Ned would start off, and do his best.

And now Tom was so poor that he and Ned would have to part. Tom must take him to the horse-market, and sell him for the most he could get. Sadly did Tom lean on Ned's neck and pour out his griefs. Ned seemed to know that his poor master was grieving, for he put his head round as if to comfort him.

The next day Tom led Ned to the horse-mart. After he had waited some time, a gentleman came up and said, "What is the price of your donkey, my lad?"

"I ought to get about three guineas for him," said Tom.

"My name is Gray," said the gentleman; "I want a good-tempered donkey for my little girl to ride at the sea-side. Are you sure that this one is safe and kind?"

"Treat him well, and he will return love for love, I think," said Tom. "But if you beat him, he will show temper."

"Then Mr. Gray questioned Tom, and learned that he was an orphan; that he knew how to read and write, but was very poor; that of the three guineas he hoped to get for the donkey, he owed half to the baker for bread.

"I will buy your donkey," said Mr. Gray. "Lead him along, and follow me."

Tom followed till they both stopped before a shop where ready-made clothing was sold.

"Will your donkey stand still when you are not by?" asked Mr. Gray.

"Oh, yes," said Tom. "He minds me well."

"Then come with me into this shop," said Mr. Gray.

Tom obeyed, and Mr. Gray said to the shop-keeper: "Fit this lad out with a good suit of clothes."

The tears came to Tom's eyes. He could only seize Mr. Gray's hand and kiss it.

"No nonsense, my lad," said Mr. Gray. "I can tell a good fellow when I see him. I saw by your kindness to the donkey what sort of a boy you are. I want you to take care of the donkey, and lead him about for my little Bessie. You shall go to the seaside with us. Your wages shall be ten shillings a week."

"And I owe this good luck to poor old Ned!" said Tom.

—Uncle Charles.

At one of the schools in Cornwall, England, the teacher asked the children if they could quote any text of Scripture which forbade a man having two wives. One of the children eagerly quoted, "No man can serve two masters."

## Bridget's Will.

A lady had in her employ an excellent girl who had one fault. Her face was always in a smudge. Mrs. ——— tried to tell her to wash her face without offending, and at last resorted to strategy.

"Do you know, Bridget," she remarked in a confidential manner, "it is said that if you wash the face every day in hot soapy water it will make you beautiful?"

"Will it?" answered Bridget. "Sure, it's a wonder ye niver tried it, ma'am."



FOR SALE, A DONKEY.

## [FOR OUR DUMB ANIMALS.]

### The Cat With the Broken Leg.

Mrs. H —, of this town, related to the writer a very interesting story of a mother-cat. It was missing for some time, and as the animal was a great favorite in the family, the loss was rather a severe one. Mrs. H — heard at the door one day, a faint mew. On opening the door, it proved to be from her own pussy, who was in great distress. The poor thing had attached to one of her legs a steel trap, which had been set to catch woodchucks, and she had dragged the trap all of half a mile, with her broken leg, through the heavy wet grass, to her home. She was covered with mud, and otherwise greatly demoralized. She said: "My brother released pussy from the trap, and I took the creature in hand, cleaned her up, and determined to nurse her, notwithstanding my father insisted upon it that the cat should be killed and put out of misery." Mrs. H — says, "I persevered in binding up the cat's wounds, bandaged and splintered the broken leg, the cat seeming to understand that its mistress was doing it a kindness, and kept quite still on the good soft bed which had been prepared for it. Catnip tea was provided for the sick animal, and in a short time light food was given till the pussy got strong, and was noticed one day rubbing off both bandages and splinters from her leg, and licking the sore. Suffice it to say, the broken leg was healed; and she lived for years, going on all fours, strong and hearty." So much for the kindness of one. Let others see what they too can do for lame and sick animals.

—M. T.

Greenfield, Feb. 7th, 1883.

## A Plain Answer.

Among the people who came to our market the other afternoon, was a citizen of West Jersey. He brought a stock of eggs and butter. In a big coop in the rear part of his wagon he had a splendid peacock, whose tail spread out, beautiful even to gorgeousness, like the trail of a lady's dress. An Irishman passing, observed the splendid plumage of the bird, and asked the price.

"Thee can have it for fifteen dollars," was the reply of the owner, whose garb indicated him as a member of the Society of Friends.

"That's a good price," was the interrogative remark of the Celt, as he smoothed the ample tail of the feathered biped.

"There are plenty of people who will give that for him," was the placid and very true rejoinder.

The Celt surveyed the bird, admired his proportions, but still endeavored to cheapen him. "Mister," said he, at last, to the grave gentleman who had the bird for sale, "Mister, people say that these birds have a very bad voice."

"I have nothing to say, about their voices," was the quiet reply. "If thee wants the fowl thee can take it."

"But, don't thim birds holler like the d—!"

"Friend," was the placid reply, "thee evidently has acquaintances that I have not. If thee thinks that the scream of this bird is like to that of thy friend, whom thee has named, I will not contradict thee."

The next minute the Celt was at an opposite stall in the market, buying a ten cent bunch of carrots. He bought no peacock that day.

## Three Little Robins!

Oh! where is the boy, dressed in jacket of gray,  
Who climbed up a tree in the orchard to-day,  
And carried my three little birdies away?

They hardly were dressed

When he took from the nest

My three little robins, and left me bereft.

O wrens! have you seen, in your travels to-day,  
A very small boy, dressed in jacket of gray,  
Who carried my three little robins away?

He had light-colored hair,

And his feet were both bare.

Ah, me! he was cruel and mean, I declare!

O butterfly! stop just one moment, I pray:  
Have you seen a boy, dressed in jacket of gray,  
Who carried my three little birdies away?

He had pretty blue eyes,

And was small of his size.

Ah! he must be wicked, and not very wise.

O bees! with your bags sweetly nectarine, stay:  
Have you seen a boy, dressed in jacket of gray,  
And carrying three little birdies away?

Did he go through the town?

Or go sneaking around

Through hedges and by-ways, with head hanging down?

O boy with blue eyes, dressed in jacket of gray!

If you will bring back my three robins to-day,

With sweetest of music the gift I'll repay.

I'll sing all day long

My merriest song,

And I will forgive you this terrible wrong.

Bobolinks, did you see my birdies and me,

How happy we were on the old apple tree,

Until I was robbed of my young, as you see?

Oh! how can I sing,

Unless he will bring

My three robins back to sleep under my wing?

*The Anti-Vivisection Movement in Philadelphia.*

A meeting of citizens, called by the Woman's Branch of the S. P. C. A., for the purpose of forming an Anti-Vivisection Society, was held on February 23d, at the rooms of the Penn. S. P. C. A. Mrs. Richard P. White explained the object of the call and the necessity for the formation of such a Society. It was decided that the officers should consist of a President, ten Vice-Presidents for the city, and ten for the State, a Secretary, Treasurer, two Counsellors, and twenty managers. In view of this being the first society formed in America to oppose the cruelties of vivisection, the name decided on was "The American Anti-Vivisection Society," having for its object "the restriction of experiments on living animals." It was announced that Association Hall had been engaged by the Woman's Branch for March 2d, for the purpose of making known to the public the object of the association. On the evening of March 2d, a numerous audience assembled. Judge Peirce opened, by a brief review of the objects. It was surprising, he said, that intelligent medical men could oppose it. The Judge read a communication from Archbishop Wood, expressing his accord and sympathy with the effort to prevent "the outrageous and abominable practice of Vivisection." Mrs. Richard P. White then spoke at considerable length, apologising for addressing a public audience, as she did not think the custom approved of in so conservative a city. She would, however, overcome her repugnance, and if she only succeeded in making her hearers feel half she felt herself, she would be more than satisfied. She disclaimed any ill-feeling towards the medical profession. Many physicians sympathized with the movement, and those who did not, they would try to win over. Vivisection was practised in Alexandria 2000 years ago, on men, not on animals. Condemned criminals were experimented on. The practice died out, but reappeared in the 17th century, when Harvey discovered the circulation of the blood. But of this great discovery, Harvey himself says, that it was the result of his careful study of Anatomy. Among the objections to vivisection, which has caused the Woman's Branch to come into the movement, is, first, the moral ground. Could it be possible that the Almighty, in every page of the New Testament, would have taught us mercy, compassion and humanity, and then would have intended us to proceed in direct opposition to His precepts, by seeking knowledge at the cost of the infliction of the most cruel sufferings of which we can conceive, upon myriads of His helpless creatures whom He has committed to our charge? It may, perhaps, be wondered at, that an abuse like this should find defenders, but it must be remembered that there was never yet in the history of the world, any well organized and widely spread system, no matter how cruel, that did not find advocates. Even for human slavery, it was claimed that it had received the Divine approbation. The world moves forward, however, the doctrines that animals have rights, and that man is accountable to God for his treatment of them, are beginning to be recognized. Medical details were given, showing the exaggerations as to the benefits of vivisection. The details of cruelties made a deep impression. The whole subject was treated with great ability and force, yet with moderation. Mrs. White was frequently interrupted by applause.

Henry Flanders, Esq., President of the Association, followed in an animated and interesting speech, and after a few remarks from Geo. H. Earle, Esq., and Hon. D. M. Fox, ex-mayor of Philadelphia, the meeting closed.

Many of the clergy were present, also some members of the medical profession, and medical students.

When a man dies they who survive him ask what property he has left behind. But the angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deeds he has sent before him.

*Milking in the Streets.***THE KIND-HEARTED WIFE OF EX-GOVERNOR HOFFMAN COMPELS THE DRIVERS OF THREE COWS TO RELIEVE THEM FROM PAIN.**

At noon Friday, says the New York World, three cows and a small calf stood shivering in the cold at the corner of Lexington avenue and Twenty-third street. They were in charge of two drovers and the latter were in charge of a big policeman. A large crowd soon gathered, and every new comer asked: "What's the matter?" The policeman and the drovers maintained a sturdy silence. A roundsman soon appeared and the policeman said to him: "A lady got out of a carriage here and hailed me. Said she to me, 'I want you to arrest those men who are driving those cows.' 'What for?' says I, and she said, 'Why, look at the udders of those poor animals; they are so full of milk that they are almost bursting. Look! Don't you see milk dripping from them? It is torture to the cows, and I want you to arrest those men!'"

"And you did so, eh?" queried the roundsman, sarcastically.

"Well, I guess I did. She said she was the wife of ex-Governor Hoffman."

"Oh!" exclaimed the roundsman in a different tone, and he went nearer the cows. "Where has Mrs. Hoffman gone?" he asked.

"To Bergh's office," replied the officer, "and she said she would be back shortly." The crowd continued to increase, and every window in the vicinity was occupied as a private box by women who curiously gazed on the strange scene and wondered what "was up." As he spoke a private carriage was driven up to the sidewalk and a pleasant-faced lady, attired in a sealskin sacque, alighted. She approached the roundsman and said: "I followed those men in my carriage for eight blocks before I could find a policeman. It is an outrage to allow those cows to be driven through the streets when their udders are so full that milk and even blood is dropping from them. I am Mrs. Hoffman, and I think that I have done a charitable and proper act in calling the attention of the police to the cruelty of those men."

One of Mr. Bergh's officers now put in an appearance, and ordered one of the drovers to milk the cows.

"What do I know about yanking milk out of a cow?" he asked.

A servant girl from an arwayay yelled: "Pull them 'ere things this way," and she half closed her dexter hand and moved it up and down.

The drover finally began to milk the cows, and the fluid poured upon the snow. Mrs. Hoffman did not wish to have the men taken to the station-house. "All I wanted," she said, "was to relieve the cows from torture," and she returned to her coach and was driven off.

*Horse Cars.*

A friend hands us this, cut from a Boston paper:—

When the car stops within a few feet of where she wishes to land, no lady who respects her rights will get out. She will wait until the car starts, and then have it stopped for her individually. She has paid her fare, and is entitled to her rights, and ought to have them, even if it kills the horses.

At a recent fire in Hudson, Mass., which burned a stable and fourteen horses, Mr. F. D. Pope's dog Jack saved two cows and a calf by rushing into the burning stable and driving them out. The first cow he pulled out by fastening his teeth in her cheek. The other he drove out by biting her heels, and the calf followed. Having done this the dog threw himself down completely exhausted.

I have lived to know that the secret of happiness is never to allow your energies to stagnate.—Adam Clark.

[Translated for OUR DUMB ANIMALS, from the French of Celine Renard.]

*Hide, Birdie, Hide.*

When the clock has struck twelve, and the school hours are o'er,  
And, roaming the fields far and wide,  
The village boys shout and play freely once more.  
Deep down in your nest, birdie, hide!

Then gather your little ones under your wing,  
For the school-boys, not giving an ear  
Of pity or love to the sweet notes you sing,  
Will climb up and laugh at your fear.

You'll hear their loud breathing, and rough hands will feel,  
Then fly away sad and alone;  
And when to your linden-tree trembling you steal,  
You'll find your poor nestlings all gone.

They will mourn in their cage, and without you will die.  
Then your wings quickly hide, birdie, hide,  
In your nest in the leaves of the tree thick and high,  
When the school-boys' shouts ring far and wide.

But when the sweet notes of a song greet your ear,  
If the leaves scarcely stir from their rest,  
If no boys', but a little girl's footstep you hear,  
Look fearlessly forth from your nest.

She dances and sings, and bounds gaily along,  
Like a butterfly airy and wild;  
Then as if in a dream, stops, and hushes her song;  
Of her mother, or God, dreams the child.

Her hair on her shoulders floats waving and free,  
The brook murmurs low at her feet;  
One golden curl clings to the branch of the tree  
That bends down, the water to greet.

With finger on lip she will listen to you,  
One peep at your little ones take,  
For never a nestful of eggs will she view,  
Lest the bird her young should forsake.

Then, birdie, be fearless if near you she comes,  
And warble your prettiest lay,  
And watch till she scatters your dinner of crumbs  
Near the tree, and goes quickly away.

Hush! twelve o'clock strikes from the village church-tower;

Be careful, and hide, birdie, hide  
Your wings in your nest in the linden-tree bower,  
Ere the boys shall be at your side.

*Birds and Their Nests.*

When April and May again come round, no busy laborers will be more active than the pretty little birds.

The male birds will select their partners, and the happy creatures will fly off in pairs, searching for places in which to build their nice snug nests.

Although the birds have no hands to work with, yet they manage to build their warm houses in the most beautiful manner, such as no human being can equal.

The hen birds will soon be laying their eggs, and will then carefully sit upon them until they are hatched and the young birds break through the shells.

Who taught the birds to do all this? It was God! He who made this beautiful world, sent the pretty birds to sing His praises, and gladden the earth with their sweet warblings.

I hope that none of my young readers will be so cruel as to rob a bird's nest.

— From English Band of Mercy Publications.

A North Andover, Mass., cat has slept on a cow's back in the barn every night for nearly three years. The cat at first tried several cows, but none of them seemed pleased with the arrangement, until she finally found the amiable quadruped that seems to like the state of affairs immensely.



*Fifteenth Annual Report of Mass. Society P. C. Animals, Being for the Year Ending March 1st, 1883.*

#### BY ITS PRESIDENT.

Seventeen years ago, there was not on this whole continent a single society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, nor one effective law. Fifteen years ago our Massachusetts Society was organized, being the second incorporated society in the United States. Those horrible slaughter-houses at Brighton were then in full blast, with all their filth and cruelty;—calves taken from their mothers when too young to eat hay, were carted through our streets, and lay in heaps at the cattle markets, tied, and piled on each other like sticks of wood; sheep, from which their fleeces had been taken, stood, in cold weather, about the slaughter yards shivering for days before they were killed. Nothing had been done to lessen the horrors of cattle transportation,—old horses, long past service, were whipped up and down the streets of Brighton, and sold sometimes for thirty-seven and a half cents each; worn out and aged animals were ignorantly and thoughtlessly killed, in ways most brutal. A man at Newton, who had mortgaged his stock of cattle to another, quarrelled with him, locked the stable doors, and starved them all to death in their stalls to prevent his getting his pay; and there was no law in Massachusetts to punish him!

#### PROGRESS.

There has been great progress in fifteen years. That splendid Abattoir at Brighton, where a very large portion of the cattle are killed instantly by a single bullet in the head; calves carried untied and standing; sheep permitted to retain their fleeces until they are killed; improved cattle cars, in which animals can be fed and watered; old horses treated very carefully at Brighton, or their owners fined and imprisoned; aged and worn out animals killed in most merciful ways; the starvation of animals punishable by \$250 fine and a year's imprisonment; four paid prosecuting agents constantly employed to protect animals from cruelty, and about five hundred unpaid agents through the state, who, from their love of our cause, afford them greater or less protection; about two million copies of humane publications already circulated; and within the past six months about one hundred and eighty branch societies, under the name of "Bands of Mercy," with some twenty thousand members, organized through the influence of this Society. These are some of the fruits for which we have reason to thank the Giver.

#### THE PAST YEAR.

What has the Society done the past year? Its officers have investigated 3,785 cases of cruelty, prosecuted 159, and convicted 131. They have taken from work 673 animals, and mercifully killed 803 aged, infirm and diseased animals, and those past service.

An officer has been detailed to be present, so far as possible, at the loading of all cattle ships sailing from this port to see that animals were shipped without cruelty. He has been present, as his reports show, at the loading of 75,827 animals. An office agent has been at Brighton nearly every Wednesday through the year, and from the middle of March until August two agents have each week examined the condition of stock trains at Watertown, and with the aid of officers of various roads, corrected many abuses, especially in the treatment of young calves. Special agents have been employed during the summer at various beaches about Boston; their expenses, it is proper to say, being paid by one of our Vice Presidents, Miss Anne Wigglesworth.

During the past year reports in writing have been made each day, of work done the previous day, by our office agents, and a record of important matters occurring at the offices, has been kept. These reports, with our books of record of all cases investigated by the Society, are preserved for use and investigation.

#### PECULIAR CASES.

Among peculiar cases reported by Boston agents, have been the discovery of a cock-pit in the Blue Hills, at Milton, and breaking up a large cock-fight there, the fowls being seized and the principals tried and convicted; the stopping of a proposed dog-fight on the premises of a wealthy gentleman on Beacon street; the stopping of a tame fox hunt on Long Island, Boston harbor, and the prosecution and conviction of six young men for shooting pigeons from traps for sport, being the first conviction in the world for this offence.

Fourteen sample or representative cases prosecuted by the Society during the year, are given in the appendix hereto annexed.

The total number of cases investigated by the Society to March 1st, 1883, was 36,717; persons convicted, 2,284; warnings issued, 4,946; animals mercifully killed, 4,574, and taken from work, 5,062. How many cases of cruelty have been prevented by fear of the law, and the influence of the Society's humane lectures and literature, widely distributed through its own publications, and the public press, no man can calculate.

#### LEGISLATION.

A two days hearing was had before the Legislative Horse Railway Committee on our petition, sustained by that of about a hundred of the largest horse owners in Boston, to prevent the sprinkling of salt, brine, &c., on Horse Railroad tracks. The committee decided as usual in favor of the Horse Railroads. A hearing was also had before the Legislative Committee on Education on our petition, sustained by several of our leading educational men, for a law making it the duty of teachers in public schools to teach children to protect insect-eating-birds and their nests, and be kind to all domestic animals, and Hon. T. W. Bicknell, Hon. Chas. J. Flint, and the President, appeared with others at the hearing. The Secretary of the State Board of Education approved, but the committee decided against it. We shall try again.

#### STAR, OFFICES, AND COLLECTOR.

The beautiful gilt star on blue, which is becoming the emblem of our Societies all over the world, has been added to our sign. The entrance to our rooms has been changed to the side of the building, No. 1 Montgomery Place, and our rent has been reduced \$300 per annum. Mr. Eben Shute has been recently employed as collector, and is giving entire satisfaction.

#### NEWSPAPERS.

This year a plan has been adopted of sending each month, to Boston daily and weekly papers, a report of the directors' monthly meetings.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

The plan has also been adopted of having standing committees on "Legislation, transportation and slaughtering;" on "Officers and prosecutions;" on "Humane education, publications and prizes," and on "Home and shelter for animals." Nathan Appleton, Samuel E. Sawyer, Geo. Noyes, and Percival L. Everett, being respectively the chairmen, and much good has resulted.

#### SLAUGHTERING.

Through action of the first-named committee, a most reliable agent (now mayor of Salem) was employed to visit the slaughter houses of the State, to secure more merciful methods of slaughtering; and carbines have, to some extent, been presented to leading butchers who have agreed to kill by shooting. We estimate that about one-half of all cattle now slaughtered in Massachusetts, are killed instantly by a single bullet in the head.

#### HUMANE EDUCATION.

The Committee on Humane Education, voted, on June 7th, 1882, to publish in cheap form for general circulation, selections from Longfellow's

poems relating to animals. Four thousand five hundred copies were presented to the Society by Miss Anne Wigglesworth, and have been widely distributed. They also voted to publish directions for killing the common domestic animals in a merciful manner. Ten thousand copies of these were printed in August number of OUR DUMB ANIMALS, and have had a large circulation in our own and other states, attracting much attention and being widely republished. They also voted to send copies of OUR DUMB ANIMALS to each Boston police station. This has been done. They also voted to send to clergymen a statement which should aid them in preparing sermons, &c. Such a statement and appeal has been sent to every settled clergyman in the State, both Protestant and Roman Catholic; also to editors of religious, educational and other papers, the result being that from two to three hundred of them have become Band of Mercy members of our Society, sermons have been preached, and a large number of articles have appeared in religious, educational and other papers, both in and out of the State, in relation to our work. They also at the same time voted to prepare a pledge and card for children in the schools. The card, pledges and also badges have been prepared, and we have, on March 1, 1883, in and out of the State, about a hundred and eighty new societies or Bands of Mercy, with a membership of over twenty thousand adults and children. In the State they include a large number of our most eminent citizens, all who have received the certified card of membership becoming thereby Band of Mercy members of our Society. In this work it is proper to add, that the Rev. Thomas Timmins, of Portsmouth, England, has during seven months as Secretary of "Our Parent Band of Mercy," rendered constant and most valuable and efficient aid. This work now seems likely to spread over this continent, taking in churches and Sunday Schools of every denomination, Protestant and Roman Catholic, and public and private schools of every grade. Eternity only can tell the good that will come to this country and the world from these Bands of Mercy, the success of which is largely owing to the earnest and enthusiastic labors of the gentleman I have named. Five thousand copies of a history of this work, by Rev. Mr. Timmins, will be soon published, at the expense and through the kindness of Samuel E. Sawyer, Esq., one of our directors.

#### OFFICERS AND PROSECUTIONS.

The Committee on officers and prosecutions has had various meetings, and its chairman, Mr. Sawyer, has visited our offices nearly every day during the winter.

#### HOME AND SHELTER.

The Committee on home and shelter for animals has not yet reported final action; but it is proper to say that through the exertions of Mr. Nathan Appleton, one of our directors, a suitable place has been secured, and there is a prospect that by private benevolence it may be endowed and become a permanent institution.

#### PLACARDS.

During the year placards have been prepared and printed by the Society, and sent widely through the State, on the following subjects: First, for the protection of birds and their nests; second, to prevent the bleeding of calves before they are killed; and third, to prevent overdriving.

#### RESOLUTION.

A resolution asking protection of insect-eating-birds, has also been sent to Boston papers, and every member of the Legislature.

#### COVERING.

A waterproof covering to throw over horses disabled in the streets, until a proper vehicle can be sent for their removal, has been provided and found useful.

## LITERATURE DISTRIBUTED.

In addition to the distribution of Band of Mercy membership books, cards, badges, &c., and the distribution of selections from Longfellow, before referred to, we have also made during the year a very large distribution of ordinary humane literature. This includes many of the beautiful cards "*Waiting for the Master*," of which Mrs. Wm. Appleton presented to the Society over two hundred thousand; also between five and ten thousand copies of "*Lessons on Kindness to Animals*," and other publications, which our friends will find advertised in OUR DUMB ANIMALS.

The "*Lessons on Kindness to Animals*" were published by us in July last, and have been very widely republished, both in this country and on the other side of the ocean. The first five thousand copies, a large portion of which have been sold, were presented to the Society. Six thousand copies of a Bible Lesson on Kindness to Animals, a new publication, have been printed, and over one thousand sold.

## NEWPORT, R.I.

Among the good work of the year we may also claim the establishment of a successful society at Newport, R.I., last summer, by Mr. Nathan Appleton (before referred to), who was elected its President. In its first season it made check-reins unfashionable in that fashionable centre, and built an elegant fountain for horses. We believe its work in the first season is only the beginning of work to come. Mr. Appleton also, with Mrs. Johnson of our Board, and Mr. Stevens, our Secretary, represented our Society at the annual meeting of the "American Humane Association" at Buffalo.

## SECRETARY.

Mr. Firth, being advised by his physicians that he should not climb the stairs leading to our offices, resigned as Secretary, to take effect June 1st, and Mr. Joseph L. Stevens was elected his successor, entering upon his duties July 10th. Mr. Firth remains Secretary of the American Humane Association, his office being in the Boston Herald building. To fill the vacancy caused by his resignation as trustee, the Hon. Samuel C. Cobb, of the Mass. Hospital Life Insurance Company, and formerly Mayor of Boston, was elected.

## FINANCE.

Our total payments for the year were \$15,070.04, being \$1458.28 more than the previous year.

It should be remembered that our payments include all the expenses of printing and circulating OUR DUMB ANIMALS, and other publications, a large portion of which come back to us in subscriptions and payments, which appear under the head of receipts.

We have sold during the past year, up to March first, nearly eight times as many copies of our ordinary publications as during the previous year; also a large number of Band of Mercy publications.

In addition to the large number of smaller sums received during the year, as shown by report of finance committee, we have received the following legacies:—

Mrs. Sophia Towne Darrah, . . . . .	\$7000.00
Mrs. M. F. Ripley, on acct., . . . . .	1035.42
Frederick May, " . . . . .	500.00
Mrs. S. A. Whitney, . . . . .	500.00
Simeon P. Adams, . . . . .	300.00
	<b>\$9335.42</b>

Also the following large sums:—

From sale of land given by Mrs. C. A. Syme, of Philadelphia, deducting costs of sale, &c., . . . . .	1200.00
Mrs. Wm. Appleton, . . . . .	1210.64
Mrs. E. H. Eldredge, . . . . .	500.00
Mrs. J. Arthur Beebe, . . . . .	500.00

David Nevins, . . . . .	500.00
Miss Anne Wigglesworth, . . . . .	559.00
Geo. T. Angell, . . . . .	379.14
J. Arthur Beebe, . . . . .	100.00
Mrs. E. M. Gifford, . . . . .	100.00
	<b>\$5048.78</b>

We have in our permanent fund eight thousand dollars more than at the beginning of the year, many of our friends preferring that their gifts and legacies shall be held as a permanent fund, of which we can only use the interest.

We have in the hands of Treasurer and Secretary \$3,919.10, being \$195.59 more than at the beginning of the year.

And we have a good stock of our various publications, and of Band of Mercy cards, badges, and membership books.

## MEMBERS.

We have ninety-seven more paying members than at the beginning of the year, and in the State from twelve to fifteen thousand non-paying Band of Mercy members, who have cards of membership.

## OFFICERS AND AGENTS.

I have deemed it a privilege to give nearly my entire time during the year, to the work of the Society; also what money I have thought I could afford; and have also had the pleasure of presenting our cause to various audiences in Massachusetts, Maine, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Dakota.

I am confident that the paid officers and agents of the Society have never worked harder in its service than during the past year, nor has there ever been, in my judgment, in any year since the foundation of the Society, more important humane work done.

To those unpaid agents, and others, who have given so largely of their time, and to those who have given so freely their money, the thanks of all interested in our work are due. We hope they may reap a rich reward in the approval of their own hearts.

## VICE PRESIDENT.

We have lost by death one Vice President, the much respected Mr. Augustus Story, of Salem. He left us by will a legacy of \$2000. It is proper to add that another legacy of \$2000 is highly valued as being the gift of a Boston truckman, Mr. John W. Estabrooks.

## CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I would say that it is hardly possible for any one outside of a very limited circle to fully appreciate the magnitude and possibilities of our work, not only for the protection of animals in the present, but also for its effect upon future generations in the making of men, women and children more merciful in all the relations of life, and in the protection of life and property and the prevention of crime. While we can find no fault with friends who prefer to give to our permanent fund, and so strengthen the future of the Society, we cannot but earnestly hope for larger donations which can be used now, in the living present, when the fields are white for the harvest, and the laborers and means of supporting them are few. There are hundreds of societies for the protection and relief of human beings for every one established to protect God's lower creatures. It has been shown that of all sums given to and through the organized charitable societies of Massachusetts, about ninety-nine and a half per cent. are now given directly for the benefit of humans, and only about one-half of one per cent. for the protection of those that cannot speak for themselves. If "he who hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord," how is it with him that hath pity upon God's poor dumb creatures that cannot tell the wrongs inflicted upon them?

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. T. ANGELL,

President.

## Report of the Finance Committee.

From the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary, we present the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Society during the year, which ended March 1, 1883:—

## RECEIPTS.

## From legacies:

Mrs. Sophia Towne Darrah, . . . . .	\$7000 00
Mrs. M. F. Ripley, . . . . .	1035 42
Frederick May, . . . . .	500 00
Mrs. Sarah A. Whitney, . . . . .	500 00
Simeon P. Adams, . . . . .	300 00
	<b>\$9,335 42</b>

## Gifts, in sums of \$100, or more, as follows:

Mrs. William Appleton, . . . . .	\$1210 64
Mrs. C. A. Syme, (being proceeds from sale of Melrose land,) . . . . .	1200 00
Miss Anne Wigglesworth, . . . . .	559 00
Mrs. E. H. Eldredge, . . . . .	500 00
Mrs. J. Arthur Beebe, . . . . .	500 00
David Nevins, . . . . .	500 00
Geo. T. Angell, . . . . .	279 14
James A. Beebe, . . . . .	100 00
Mrs. Ellen M. Gifford, . . . . .	100 00
	<b>\$4,948 78</b>

## Life members:

Mrs. Geo. T. Angell, Miss C. M. Lamson, E. Flerson Beebe, Augustus Hemenway, at \$100 each, . . . . .	\$400 00
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## Interest:

From Permanent Fund, . . . . .	\$1986 02
Chas. Fairchild, Esq., Treasurer, for cash while in his hands, at four per cent., . . . . .	88 95
	<b>\$2074 97</b>

## Gifts:

From members and donors, in sums of less than \$100, . . . . .	\$3773 70
Subscribers for OUR DUMB ANIMALS, . . . . .	628 34
Fines and witness fees, . . . . .	955 78
Publications, . . . . .	153 64
	<b>\$5511 46</b>

Total receipts, . . . . . **22,270 63**

The receipts from the same sources in 1881 and 1882, were \$17,110.41, showing an increase in 1882, and 1883, of \$5,160.22, arising chiefly from bequests and a larger number of contributors for annual memberships.

## For current expenses:

Printing OUR DUMB ANIMALS, . . . . .	\$1,351 39
Postage, wrappers, &c., . . . . .	633 62
Books and stationery, . . . . .	173 92
Incidentals, office expenses, . . . . .	248 24
Publications, . . . . .	869 65
Feeding and killing animals, . . . . .	178 47
Extra services and expenses of country agents, — travelling expenses of office agents, . . . . .	2,290 69
Office rent 13 months, . . . . .	1,151 70
Subscription to American Humane Association, . . . . .	100 00
Salaries of Secretary, agents, &c., . . . . .	7958 34
Express, telephone and telegrams, . . . . .	114 02
Total expenses, . . . . .	<b>\$15,070 04</b>

In 1881, and 1882, the total expenses were, . . . . . **13,611 76**

Increase in 1882, and 1883, . . . . . **\$1,458 28**

This is accounted for by an extension of work, — the inauguration of Bands of Mercy, — the employment of a special agent to visit the principal slaughtering establishments in the State with the view of inducing the butchers to substitute the use of the bullet for the old methods of killing cattle for the market, — the distribution of nine carbines gratuitously among as many different butchers who agreed to use them, — and from increased rent, the use of an extra room being needed.



## Permanent fund, in the hands of trustees:

Its par value March 1, 1883, -	\$39,000 00
On the 1st of March, 1881, it was	31,000 00
Showing a gain during the year of	\$8,000 00
Cash on hand March 1, 1883:	
In hands of Chas. Fairchild, Esq.,	
Treasurer, - - - - -	\$3,197 77
In the hands of Secretary, including a sum of \$150, for Prize Fund, - - - - -	721 33
	\$3,919 10

Two friends of the Society have died during the year, and remembered it by bequests: Hon. Augustus Story, of Salem, a Vice-President, \$2000, and Mr. John W. Estabrooks, of Dorchester, Mass., \$2000.

It is the earnest wish of this committee to see an increase in the receipts from annual subscribers and contributors, in order that the current expenses may be more nearly covered without encroaching upon our legacies, which are necessarily uncertain, and should go, so far as possible, to augment the permanent fund; this would place our Society on a firmer basis, and allow it to increase its work and usefulness in many directions, where now it is restricted by the limited means at its disposal.

We appeal to our former contributors for their continued support, and refer with confidence to our record in asking all who are interested in the cause to add their names to our list. It is a significant fact that less than one per cent. of the amount annually bestowed upon our charities is devoted to the protection of dumb animals and its kindred work.

In conclusion, we would express our regret at the resignation of Miss Anne Wigglesworth, as a member of our committee.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. MURRAY FORBES—chairman,  
EMILY W. APPLETON,  
DANIEL NEEDHAM,  
GEORGE NOYES,

Finance Committee  
M. S. P. C. A.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary have been examined by us and found correct.

SAMUEL E. SAWYER,  
WILLIAM H. BALDWIN,  
Auditors.

## A Few Cases in 1882-3.

1. For beating horses, two parties were fined \$20 and costs, each. A third was fined \$50, and a fourth, \$100 each, with costs; the two latter went to House of Correction for non-payment, and served the time.

2. For beating a horse with a shovel, and thrusting the tines of a fork several times into his flank, a pedlar was fined \$30 and costs.

3. For cutting off the ears of a dog, and pinching off his tail, at the same time drawing out the cords an inch or more, a dog-fancier was sentenced to six months imprisonment; he appealed, and upon assuring the court upon oath, that he had relinquished the business, his case was placed upon file upon payment of costs.

4. For maliciously driving upon, and injuring a horse, an Expressman was fined \$25 and costs.

5. A farmer, who struck his horse two blows (with a cart-stake) upon the head, causing almost instant death, was fined \$10 and costs.

6. For overdriving horses, three parties were fined \$20, \$25, and \$50 and costs each.

7. For driving a horse to death, two parties (it being a joint act) were fined each \$40 and one-half the costs.

8. For overloading their teams, two parties were fined, respectively, \$25, and \$50, and costs.

9. A woman who injured a number of trespassing ducks, by stoning them, was fined \$5 and costs. Another woman, who caught and broke the legs of a trespassing rooster, was fined \$3 and

costs.

10. For thrusting a stick into the body of a horse, causing its death, a party was fined \$50 and costs.

11. For cruelly kicking a dog, a party was fined \$10 and costs. For torturing a dog by scalding with hot water, another was fined \$15 and costs.

12. Two parties, each of whom struck a horse a single blow, in each case knocking out an eye, were fined \$2, and \$5 and costs.

13. A party who poured kerosene oil upon his (three) horses, then ignited it, burning them so severely that humanity required that they be killed, was indicted by the Grand Jury of Suffolk County, in June, 1882, after full hearing in the lower Court. The case, with one prosecuted at same time by the police, (for setting fire), is still pending in the Superior Court.

14. To start a balky horse, a party put hay under him and ignited it, burning the animal more or less severely. Fined \$10 and costs.

## Report of Complaints Investigated from March 1, 1882 to March 1, 1883.

	By County Agents.	Total.		By County Agents.	Total.
For beating, overworking and overloading, . . .	165	166	331	768	1698
Overdriving, . . .	123	202	325	500	500
Driving when lame and galled, . . .	41	213	254	434	106
Not feeding and sheltering, . . .	620	446	1066	64	540
Abandoning, . . .	116	161	277	56	64
Torturing, . . .	22	60	82	97	62
Driving when diseased, . . .	38	46	84	1919	1866
Cruelty in transportation, . . .	67	101	168	3785	
Defective st's, . . .	78	78		81	50
General cruelty, . . .	6	6		14	12
Total, . . .	643	471	1114	1	1
Animals taken from work, . . .	371	302	673	1	1
				97	62
				159	
				131	26
				1	
				1	
				506	207
				803	

Total number of cases investigated by Society agents from April 1868, to March 1, 1883, 36,717; remedied without prosecution, 23,357; persons convicted, 2284; warnings issued, 4946; animals killed, 4574; and taken from work, 5062.

## The Roll of Honor.

Containing the names of deceased friends who remembered the Society by bequests.

Mrs. Mehitabel M. C. Copenhagen, Boston, Mass., . . .	1871
Seth Adams, Boston, Mass., . . .	1875
Amasa Clapp, Dorchester, Mass., . . .	1875
Hiram Cross, Northfield, N. H., . . .	1875
Mrs. Josiah Vose, Boston, Mass., . . .	1875
Frederick May, Medford, Mass., . . .	1875
Miss Harriet A. Daland, Salem, Mass., . . .	1876
Dr. Wm. W. Morland, Boston, Mass., . . .	1876
Miss Eliza Powars, Roxbury, Mass., . . .	1876
Miss Sally S. Sylvester, Leicester Mass., . . .	1876
Christopher W. Bellows, Pepperell, Mass., . . .	1877
Gardner Chilson, Boston, Mass., . . .	1877
J. Haven Dexter, Boston, Mass., . . .	1877
George A. Hassam, Manchester, N. H., . . .	1877
Miss Eliza Jenkins, Scituate, Mass., . . .	1877
Miss Jane R. Sever, Kingston, Mass., . . .	1877
Miss Susan Tufts, Weymouth, Mass., . . .	1877

Mrs. Rebecca S. Perry, Grantville, Mass., . . .	1878
Mrs. Mary E. Keith, Boston, Mass., . . .	1878
James P. Thorndike, Boston, Mass., . . .	1877
Mrs. Ellen H. Flint, Leicester, Mass., . . .	1879
Miss Elizabeth Jackson, Roxbury, Mass., . . .	1879
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Morton, South Boston, Mass., . . .	1879
James W. Palmeter, Concord, Mass., . . .	1879
Miss Margaret E. C. White, Boston, Mass., . . .	1879
Mr. Simeon P. Adams, Charlestown, Mass., . . .	1880
Mrs. M. K. A. Benchley, Ithaca, N. Y., . . .	1880
Mrs. Lydia Maria Child, Wayland, Mass., . . .	1880
Rev. C. T. Thayer, Boston, Mass., . . .	1880
Mrs. Amelia F. Wood, Boston, Mass., . . .	1880
Miss Elizabeth S. Lobdell, Boston, Mass., . . .	1880
Mrs. Mary F. Ripley, South Hingham, Mass., . . .	1880
William Ashby, Newburyport, Mass., . . .	1881
Charles Lyman, Boston, Mass., . . .	1881
Charles Tidd, Lexington, Mass., . . .	1881
Mrs. Sarah A. Whitney, Boston, Mass., . . .	1882
Mrs. Sophia Towne Darrah, Boston, Mass., . . .	1882
John W. Estabrooks, Boston, Mass., . . .	1883
Augustus Story, Salem, Mass., . . .	1883

## Honorary Members in America.

Appleton, Mrs. William, Boston.  
Bergh, Henry, New York, N. Y.  
Biddle, Miss Adele, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Brown, Edwin Lee, Chicago, Ill.  
Dore, John C., Chicago, Ill.  
White, Mrs. Caroline E., Phila., Pa.

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GEORGE T. ANGELL, BOSTON.

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 Roberts, Mrs. J. L., Newton.  
 Robeson, W. R., Milton.  
 Russell, Mrs. Sarah S., Boston.

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 Saltonstall, Hon. Leverett, Newton.  
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Carver, South, . . .	Rufus C. Freeman.
Charlemont, . . .	C. C. P. Miner.
Charlton, . . .	Alfred E. Fiske.
Chatham, . . .	Sullivan Rogers.
Chelmsford, . . .	Geo. A. Parkhurst.
Chelsea, . . .	William P. Drury.
Cheshire, . . .	Stephen Chapman.
	Marcus M. Morey.
Chester, . . .	James Keele.
Chesterfield, . . .	O. M. Pearl.
Chicopee, . . .	Matthew Ryan.
Chilmark, . . .	Frederick H. Lambert.
Clarksburg, . . .	H. L. Sheldon.
Clinton, . . .	Abijah Brown.*
	Daniel Marsh.
	Abbot A. Jenkins.**
Cohasset, . . .	J. Q. A. Lothrop.
North, . . .	James Beal.
Coleraine, . . .	Hugh B. Miller.
Coleraine, . . .	Hugh B. Miller.
Concord, . . .	Asa C. Collier.
	A. W. Keene.
Wannerville, . . .	George H. Johnson.*
Conway, . . .	Lewis Smith.*
Cottage City, . . .	Erastus G. Allen.
Cummington, West, . . .	Thomas Fox.
Dalton, . . .	Edwin A. Albee.
Dana, . . .	Abraham Patch, Jr.
Danvers, . . .	F. W. Mason.
Dartmouth, . . .	
Dedham, . . .	Nathaniel Hitchcock.
Deerfield, . . .	Abijah W. Chapin.
	M. W. Nickerson.
Dennis, South, . . .	Charles W. Turner.
Dighton, . . .	Brigham Morse.
Douglas, East, . . .	Cornelius Emmons.
Dover, . . .	Aaron Bacon.
Dracut (P. O., Lowell), . . .	Coffeen Nutting.*
Dudley, . . .	Samuel D. Stone.
Dunstable, . . .	George P. Wright.*
Duxbury, West, . . .	Charles H. Chandler.*
East Bridgewater, . . .	Benj. Suddall.*
Elmwood, . . .	Samuel Luzader.
Eastham, . . .	John N. M. Hopkins.
Easthampton, . . .	E. Thomas Sawyer.
Easton, North, . . .	S. M. Rennie.
Edgartown, . . .	Jason L. Dexter.*
Egremont, North, . . .	L. K. Kline.
Enfield, . . .	William B. Kimball.
Erving, . . .	Eben H. Spring.
Essex, . . .	Daniel W. Bartlett.
Everett, . . .	Samuel M. Emerton.
Fairhaven, . . .	Thomas S. Butman.
Fall River, . . .	
Falmouth, . . .	Stephen G. Cahoon.
Fitchburg, . . .	Thomas Upton.
Florida, . . .	Sedate Tower.
Foxborough, . . .	David Morrill.
Framingham, South, . . .	Moses M. Fiske.*
	Henry W. Cotton.
Franklin, . . .	Wm. E. Nason.
Freetown, . . .	Geo. D. Williams.*
Gardner, . . .	Webster Cowee.
Georgetown, . . .	A. Baker Hull.
Gill, . . .	G. Stacy.
Gloucester, . . .	George Lane.
Bay View, . . .	George W. Quinn.
Goshen, . . .	T. P. Lyman.
Gosnold, . . .	Frederick S. Allen.
Hadley, . . .	I. H. Chackering.
Granby, . . .	S. M. Cook.
Granville, . . .	J. C. Carpenter.
Great Barrington, . . .	Harvey Holmes.*
Greenfield, . . .	Wm. Elliot.*
	Lyman J. Wait.*
	Henry Handforth.*
Greenwich, . . .	George R. Dickinson.
Groton, . . .	Andrew Robins.
West, . . .	Freeman Hopkins.**
Groveland, . . .	L. H. Hopkinson.
Hadley, . . .	R. E. Gaylord.
Halifax, . . .	Wm. N. Bourne.
Hamilton, . . .	Emery Lawrence.
Hampden, . . .	A. O. Thresher.*
Hancock, . . .	Silas G. Dawley.
Hanover, . . .	Hira W. Bates.*
Hanson, Bryantville, . . .	J. B. Chandler.
Hardwick, . . .	Charles P. Vokes.



Harvard, . . .	Henry Butterfield.	Norwood, . . .	Samuel Howard.	Washington, Beckes,	R. M. Savery.
Harwich, . . .	Jona. Buck.	Oakham, . . .	Mark Haskell.	Watertown, . . .	Ezran V. Howard.
Port, . . .	Elbridge G. Doane.	Orange, North,	S. J. Oliver.	Wayland, . . .	George Parker.
Hatfield, . . .	E. S. Warner.	Orleans, . . .	James H. Arey.	Webster, . . .	Horace Heard.
Haverhill, . . .	Frank M. Brown.	Otis, . . .	E. L. Day.*	Wellfleet, . . .	Solomon Shumway.*
Hawley, . . .	Edwin Scott.	Oxford, . . .	O. W. Chaffee.*	Wellisley, . . .	Benjamin H. Collins.
Heath, . . .	Squire Benson.	Palmer, . . .	J. A. Palmer.*	Wendell (Depot),	Henry P. Varney.
Hingham, . . .	Charles Spring.*	Paxton, . . .	D. R. Boynton.	Wenham, . . .	J. C. Holston.
South, . . .	Erastus Whiton.	Peabody, . . .	Wm. S. Osborne.	West, . . .	Elbridge Porter.
Hinsdale, . . .	Charles R. Cook.	Pelham, . . .	Stephen F. Reed.	West Brookfield,	A. C. Smith.
Holden, . . .	Lewis W. Taylor.*	Pembroke, East,	Rev. John Jones.	West Newbury,	A. E. Gilbert.
Holbrook, . . .	E. W. Merrick.*	Pepperell, . . .	Martin Hatch.	West Springfield,	Moses P. Stanwood.
Brookville, . . .	Charles W. Paine.	Peru, . . .	S. P. Lawrence.	West Stockbridge,	C. W. Hossington.
Holland, . . .	Frederick Merrill.	Petersham, . . .	Austin Stowell.	Westborough, . . .	George H. Cobb.
Holliston, . . .	Charles Roper.	Phillipston, . . .	J. G. Mudge.	Westport, . . .	J. W. Fairbanks.*
Holyoke, . . .	Ethan C. Claffin.	Pittsfield, . . .	S. E. Pike.	Weymouth, North,	D. P. Brigham.
Hopkinton, . . .	George E. Atchinson.	Plainfield, . . .	H. H. Newton.*	South, . . .	George L. Miner.
Hubbardston, . . .	Benjamin F. Baker.*	Plymouth, . . .	Orson S. White.	Whately, . . .	Edward Prescott.
Hudson, . . .	Samuel S. Gleason.	Plympton, . . .	Jas. B. Collingwood.*	Whitcomb, . . .	Charles L. Fuller.
Hull, . . .	Charles H. Robinson.	Prescott, . . .	Alouzo Wright.	Westminster, . . .	O. W. Bartlett.
Huntington, . . .	Lewis P. Loring.	Princeton, . . .	John Brooks.	Weston, . . .	James B. Wood.
Hyde Park, . . .	Maurice McGrath.	Provincetown, . . .	John Young.	Westport, . . .	Alonzo S. Fiske.
Ipswich, . . .	John Smith.	Quincy, . . .	Washington M. French.	Weymouth, North,	Eli P. Lawton.*
Kingston, . . .	E. A. Allen.	Randolph, . . .	N. B. Fernald.	South, . . .	Noble Morse.
Lakeville, Myrick's,	Charles Jacobs.	Raynham, . . .	John Long.	East, . . .	F. B. Visson.
Lancaster, South,	Tristram B. Fall.	North, . . .	Thomas Farrell.	Whately, . . .	Alvah Raymond, Jr.
Lanesborough, . . .	A. B. Fellows.*	Reading, . . .	C. G. Washburn.	Wilbraham, . . .	Asa B. Pratt.
Lawrence, . . .	Arthur L. Cushman.	Rehoboth, . . .	Edwin R. Lothrop.	Williamsburg, . . .	Leander F. Crafts.
Lee, . . .	Davis Pickens.	Revere, . . .	Edwin Bassett.	Williamstown, . . .	Calvin G. Robbins.
Leicester, . . .	George W. Howe.	Richmond, . . .	Henry C. Goff.	Winchendon, . . .	Henry A. Bisbee.
Cherry Valley, . . .	J. W. Newton.	Rochester, . . .	Milton Ray.	Winchester, . . .	Edwin A. Talmadge.
Lenox, . . .	Moulton Batchelder.	Rockland, . . .	Chas. M. Van Brame.	Windsor, . . .	Charles W. Swain.
Lcominster, . . .	Charles H. Cutting.	Rockport, . . .	Rufus M. Ashley.	Winthrop, . . .	John McGrath.
Leverett, . . .	Rufus Holman.	Roxbury, . . .	Wm. B. Seavey.	Woburn, . . .	Z. A. Richardson.
Lexington, East,	William A. Belcher.	Royalston, . . .	B. V. Bennett.*	Worcester, . . .	Albert Ford.
Leyden, . . .	Lyman T. Upham.	Rutland, . . .	Robert Tarr.	Wrentham, . . .	David P. Matthews.
Lincoln, South,	W. D. Curtis.	Salem, . . .	John F. Sweet.	Yarmouth, Port,	John E. Tidd.*
Littleton, . . .	George England.	Salisbury, . . .	C. C. Wheaton.	East, . . .	James M. Drennan.*
Longmeadow, East,	Wm. H. Smith, Jr.	Sandisfield, N. Boston,	Milton Ellsworth.	Whately, . . .	David D. Powers.
Lowell, . . .	George L. Pierce.	Montville, . . .	Edward A. Carpenter.	Wilbraham, . . .	A. W. Cheever.
Ludlow, . . .	U. T. Darling.	Sandwich, . . .	H. Parks.	Williamsburg, . . .	Benjamin H. Matthews.*
Lunenburg, . . .	Samuel Farrar.	Saugus, East, . . .	George S. Putnam.	Williamstown, . . .	
Lynn, . . .	Asahel W. Sawyer.	Savoy, . . .	J. C. Towne.	Winchendon, . . .	
Lynnfield, . . .	Abel H. Calkins.	Scituate, . . .	W. F. Chapple.	Winchester, . . .	
Malden, . . .	Charles H. Philbrick.	Seekonk, . . .	William M. Hill.*	Windsor, . . .	
Manchester, . . .	Henry C. Preston.	Sharon, . . .	John W. Hart.	Winthrop, . . .	
Mansfield, . . .	Charles E. Cox.	Sheffield, . . .	John F. Manning.*	Woburn, . . .	
Marblehead, . . .	Edward P. Allen.	Shelburne Falls, . . .	William Chase.	Worcester, . . .	
Marion, . . .	William Stone.	Sherborn, . . .	Wm. J. Foster.	Wrentham, . . .	
Marlborough, . . .	Charles C. Blanchard.	Shirley, . . .	Charles Fogg.	Yarmouth, Port,	
Marshfield, East,	David L. Wentworth.*	Shutesbury, . . .	T. H. Sweet.	East, . . .	
Mashpee, . . .	George Haskell.	Somerset, . . .	W. H. Collins.	Whately, . . .	
Mattapoisett, . . .	J. A. Blake.*	Somerville, . . .	Edward Ingham.	Whately, . . .	
Maynard, . . .	William Sinclair.	South Abington, . . .	Henry S. Manley.	Whately, . . .	
Medford, . . .	E. Bralley.	South Hadley, . . .	Charles Quinn.	Whately, . . .	
Medford, . . .	C. F. Morse.	South Scituate, . . .	Horace M. Oliver.	Whately, . . .	
West, . . .	Hatch Carver.	Ridge Hill, . . .	A. W. Burnett.	Whately, . . .	
Medway, . . .	Lysander Z. Amos.	Southampton, . . .	John H. Young.	Whately, . . .	
Melrose, . . .	Larned Hall, Jr.	Southboro', Fayville,	Hosea D. Nott.*	Whately, . . .	
Mendon, . . .	Sidney B. Shattuck.	Cordaville, . . .	A. N. Medbury.	Whately, . . .	
Merrimac, . . .	Charles Hamant.	Southbridge, . . .	H. Frank Leonard.	Whately, . . .	
Methuen, . . .	Wm. H. Palmer.	Southwick, . . .	John C. Smith.	Whately, . . .	
Middleborough, . . .	Asa Law.	Spencer, . . .	Ambrose Gilman.*	Whately, . . .	
Middlefield, . . .	George H. Gibson.	Springfield, . . .	Justus B. Frost.	Whately, . . .	
Middleton, . . .	Henry B. Woodman.	Sterling, . . .	Samuel J. Fletcher.	Whately, . . .	
Millbury, . . .	Henry B. Newhall.	Stockbridge, . . .	Cyrus A. Kiburn.	Whately, . . .	
Milton, . . .	Andrew W. Judson.	Stonham, . . .	George Buck.	Whately, . . .	
Monroe, . . .	John B. Heath.	Stoughton, . . .	George A. Paull.	Whately, . . .	
Monson, . . .	E. G. Knights.	Stow, Rockbottom, . . .	Elisha Slade.	Whately, . . .	
Montague, . . .	James A. Burgess.*	Sturbridge, . . .	M. C. Parkhurst.	Whately, . . .	
Montevideo, . . .	Jonathan McElwain.	Sudbury, . . .	James D. Nott.*	Whately, . . .	
Montgomery, . . .	David Stiles.	Sunderland, . . .	Sidney O. Cobb.	Whately, . . .	
Mount Washington, . . .	Samuel Sawyer.	Sutton, . . .	S. N. Miller.	Whately, . . .	
Nahant, . . .	C. Crossman.	Swampscott, . . .	Willard Torry.*	Whately, . . .	
Nantucket, . . .	J. Walker Bradley.	Swansea, . . .	Alpheus Thomas.	Whately, . . .	
Natick, . . .	David H. Sherman.	Taunton, . . .	S. K. Clapp.	Whately, . . .	
Nedham, . . .	M. F. Bacon.	Templeton, . . .	John Blair.	Whately, . . .	
New Ashford, . . .	J. Chenery.	Tewksbury, . . .	D. W. Mitchell.	Whately, . . .	
New Bedford, . . .	O. L. Mansur.	Tisbury, North, . . .	H. W. Bacon.*	Whately, . . .	
New Braintree, . . .	M. C. Langdon.*	Tolland, . . .	P. M. Clarke.	Whately, . . .	
New Marlborough, . . .	Charles N. Clark.	Topsfield, . . .	Edward E. Root.	Whately, . . .	
New Salem, . . .	Henry S. Goodale.	Townsend, West, . . .	Joseph J. Dustin.	Whately, . . .	
Newbury, . . .	Wm. Luscomb.	Truro, . . .	James E. Russell.	Whately, . . .	
Newburyport, . . .	George E. Moores.	Tyngsborough, . . .	Allen Webster.	Whately, . . .	
Newton, . . .	Jonah A. Bean.*	Tyringham, . . .	G. E. S. Law.	Whately, . . .	
Newtonville, . . .	George E. Eaton.	Upton, . . .	Alfred A. Andrews.	Whately, . . .	
West, . . .	Eliah Ingraham.	Uxbridge, . . .	Charles H. Loring.	Whately, . . .	
Highlands, . . .	Daniel Ricketson.	Wakefield, . . .	Daniel B. Fenn.	Whately, . . .	
Lower Falls, . . .	John W. Nickerson.*	Wales, . . .	Richard Plummer.	Whately, . . .	
Centre, . . .	Alex. O. Pierce.*	Walpole, . . .	David Forsath.	Whately, . . .	
Upper Falls, . . .	Charles A. Gleason.	Waltham, . . .	A. D. Gleason.	Whately, . . .	
Norfolk, Franklin City,	Henry N. Adams.	Ware, . . .	Edwin H. Chamberlain.	Whately, . . .	
North Adams, . . .	B. W. Fay.	Wareham, . . .	John Goodnow.	Whately, . . .	
North Andover, . . .	Nathaniel Dole.	Warren, . . .	W. W. Russell.	Whately, . . .	
North Brookfield, . . .	R. H. Hale.	Warwick, . . .	James W. Stockwell.	Whately, . . .	
North Reading, . . .	S. W. Tuck.*		Zebedee Small.	Whately, . . .	
Northampton, . . .	C. H. De Rochemont.		John H. Martin.	Whately, . . .	
Northborough, . . .	John W. Sargent.		W. E. Peck.	Whately, . . .	
Northbridge, . . .	John M. Fisk.		Alfred B. Hodges.	Whately, . . .	
Northfield, . . .	J. C. Kennedy.		A. Buell Littlejohn.	Whately, . . .	
Norton, Barrowsville, . . .	W. J. Fisk.		George P. Hawkes.	Whately, . . .	
	James D. Henthorn.		Henry E. Preston.	Whately, . . .	
	C. O. Davis.		William Cottle.	Whately, . . .	
	N. Fred. Bosworth.		Fowler T. Moore.	Whately, . . .	
	S. R. Urbino.		T. K. Leach.	Whately, . . .	
	Reville L. Hinds.		Mileus Gleason.	Whately, . . .	
	Andrew Peters.		Samuel Dyer.	Whately, . . .	
	George H. Marsh.		Frederick Woodward.	Whately, . . .	
	Robert S. Harrison.		J. W. Wilson.	Whately, . . .	
	Charles P. Heustis.		C. I. Pike.	Whately, . . .	
	John Purcell.		George G. Thompson.	Whately, . . .	
	James A. Guild.		Charles H. Davis.*	Whately, . . .	
	Wm. Manchester.		Daniel Cary.*	Whately, . . .	
	George L. Harris.		Eugene Cady.	Whately, . . .	
	Sylvander Bothwell.		J. B. Hauners.*	Whately, . . .	
	Henry H. Dame.*		H. P. Sherman.	Whately, . . .	
	H. M. Potter.*		Alden Jameson.*	Whately, . . .	
	Charles A. Rice.		Matthew J. Mullaney.*	Whately, . . .	
	Francis H. Corey.		Joseph Harding.	Whately, . . .	
			Wm. Lloyd Chipman.	Whately, . . .	
			James W. Hurley.	Whately, . . .	
			Alexander Swift.	Whately, . . .	
			William Combs.	Whately, . . .	
			Calvin W. Delva.	Whately, . . .	

## Constitution of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

ARTICLE 1. The title of this Society is "The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

ARTICLE 2. Its object shall be to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals, throughout this Commonwealth and elsewhere.

ARTICLE 3. There shall be nothing in its management or publications to interfere with its receiving the full support of all good men and women of all parties and churches whatsoever.

ARTICLE 4. The Society shall consist of Active Life Members, Associate Life Members, Active Members, Associate Members, Honorary Members, and Branch Members.

ARTICLE 5. Any person may become an Active Life Member of this Society, by paying to the Society one hundred dollars; an Associate Life Member, by paying fifty dollars; an Active Member, by paying ten dollars per annum; an Associate Member, by paying five dollars per annum; an Honorary Member by being elected as such; and Branch Members by paying to the Society any sum not less than one dollar per annum. Children under eighteen years of age may become Associate Members on payment of one dollar per annum. Children may be made Branch Members on such terms as the Directors may decide.

ARTICLE 6. Active Life Members shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Society; Associate Life Members, to all the privileges except voting; Active Members, to all its privileges during the year terminating one week before the annual election of Directors; and Associate Members, to all its privileges during the same time, except that of voting. Honorary Members shall be entitled to all its privileges during the time of their membership. Branch Members shall receive all the publications of the Society.

ARTICLE 7. The officers of this Society shall be a President, who shall be also actually, or *ex officio*, a member of the Board of Directors, Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, such number of Directors as the Society may deem expedient, and such other officers as the Directors may from time to time elect or appoint.

ARTICLE 8. The Directors shall be elected by the Society, at its annual meeting; and shall hold office, except as hereafter set forth, until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE 9. All other officers shall be elected or appointed by the Board of Directors, and shall hold office until their successors have been elected or appointed, unless removed by the Board.

ARTICLE 10. The Directors shall elect or appoint from their own number or otherwise, all officers of the Society heretofore named, and such others

as they may deem proper, and shall specify the duties of said officers; and they may at any time remove the same, and elect or appoint others. They may fill vacancies in their own number; they may enact by-laws for themselves and the Society; make and establish all rules and orders for the Government of the Society and its officers, and for the transaction of its business; remit the annual or other dues of any member of the Society; and, by a two-thirds vote, remove from their own body any member thereof, and from the Society any member thereof, when, in their judgment, the best interests of the Society shall require the same; and, generally, shall, during their term of office, have the full and complete management, control, and disposal of the affairs, property, and funds of the Society, with full power, for the purpose for which it was incorporated, to do all matters and things which the Society could do; but and except that they shall receive no pay whatever for any services rendered as such Directors, and they shall not incur, on account of the Society, any debt beyond the funds which shall be actually in the treasury during their term of office.

ARTICLE 11. The annual meeting of the Society shall be the last Tuesday in March of each year; and other meetings of the Society may be called at any time by the President, upon the written request of four Directors, by giving three days' notice thereof in two daily newspapers published in the city of Boston.

ARTICLE 12. The corporate seal of the Society shall be that already provided and presented to the Society by Mrs. Wm. Appleton.

ARTICLE 13. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made, except upon motion in writing, made at a meeting of the Society, entered on the minutes, with the name of the member making it, and adopted at a subsequent meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

#### By-Laws.

ADOPTED MAY, 1876.

1st. The Directors, President, and Treasurer, shall be chosen by written or printed ballot.

2nd. Five members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3rd. The meetings of the Directors shall be held monthly, and also whenever the President, or acting President, may call the same.

4th. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and Directors, and have a general oversight of the affairs of the Society. In his absence, or inability, the Directors shall choose one of their own number to preside.

5th. The Secretary shall attend to the correspondence, prosecutions, and other business of the Society; keep in a suitable book copies of all letters written, and file all letters received; give notice of the meetings of the Society and Directors, and attend the same; keep a record of the proceedings and give notice to those affected by them; keep lists of members and donations; prepare before each election a list of members entitled to vote; take charge of the rooms of the Society; keep in a safe manner its corporate seal, record books, documents, maps and books; and perform such other duties as the President and Directors shall require. He shall also make a monthly report of the work and of all receipts and expenses.

6th. The Treasurer shall receive, keep and invest the funds of the Society placed in his hands; he shall pay such sums to the Secretary as he may require for the expenses of the Society, upon orders approved by one of the Finance Committee; he shall pay orders for Permanent Fund by vote of the Directors; he shall only be held liable for moneys received by him, and shall render an annual account to the Directors.

7th. Agents of the Society shall be appointed who shall co-operate with the Secretary in the performance of such duties as the President and Directors shall prescribe.

8th. The By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, notice of the amendments having been given at the previous meeting of the Directors.

As a guide to friends who may desire to remember the Society in their Wills, the following forms are given:—

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY.

I give and bequeath to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the sum of—dollars, directing my executors to pay the same to the person who may be acting as treasurer of said Society at the time.

#### REAL ESTATE.

I give and devise unto the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, (here insert description of property). To have and to hold the same unto the said Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, its successors and assigns, forever.

#### Publications Received From Kindred Societies.

Humane Appeal. Cincinnati.  
Humane Journal. Chicago.  
Our Animal Friends. New York.  
Scottish Society P. C. A., Forty-third Annual Report, for 1882. Edinburgh, Scotland.  
Zoophilist. London, Eng.  
L'Ami des Animaux. Geneva.  
Boletin de la Sociedad Cubana Protectora de Animales y Plantas. Havana.  
Bulletin de la Societe Royale Protectrice des Animaux. Brussels.  
Bulletin de la Societe Protectrice des Animaux. Paris.  
Rheinisch-Westphaelischer Thierschutz-Verein. Cologne.  
Der Thierfreund. Vienna.  
Il Zoofilo. Naples.

#### Cases Investigated by Office Agents in March.

Whole number of complaints received, 161; viz.: Beating, 11; overworking and overloading, 9; overdriving, 5; driving when lame or galled, 42; failing to provide proper food and shelter, 5; abandoning, 1; torturing, 1; driving when diseased, 8; general cruelty, 79.  
Remedied without prosecution, 74; warnings issued, 31; not substantiated, 41; not found, 8; prosecuted, 7; convicted, 5.  
Animals taken from work, 23; killed, 36.

#### By COUNTRY AGENTS, FIRST QUARTER, 1883.

Whole number of complaints, 428; viz.: beating, 49; overloading, 61; overdriving, 46; working when lame or galled, 104; working when diseased, 22; not providing food or shelter, 42; torturing, 13; abandoning, 4; general cruelty, 87.  
Remedied without prosecution, 385; not substantiated, 36; prosecuted, 7; convicted, 7.  
Animals taken from work, 66; killed, 36.

#### Receipts by the Society in March.

##### FINES.

From District Court,—Central Worcester, paid at jail, \$5.

Municipal Court,—Roxbury District, \$5.

Witness fees, \$3.50.

Total, \$13.50.

##### FROM MEMBERS AND DONORS.

Otis E. Weld, \$50; Geo. T. Angell, \$26; Mrs. R. T. Paine, Jr., \$25; Mrs. Joseph Iasigi, \$30.

##### TEN DOLLARS EACH.

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